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REMARKS AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Upon entry of the instant response, Claims 2-9, 12-14 and 17 will be pending. Claims 1, 10-11 and 15-16 have been cancelled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the subject matter of <u>Group XII</u>, Claims 2-9, 12-14 and 17, drawn to a nucleic acid, vector, host cell and method of transforming a host cell, classified in class 800, subclass 281. This election is made subject to Applicants' right to pursue the non-elected subject matter in a divisional application or applications pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §121.

Please charge any fees or credit any overpayment of fees which are required in connection with the filing of this Response to Restriction Requirement to Deposit Account No. 04-1928 (E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company).

Allowance of the above-referenced application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing.

Respectfully submitted.

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